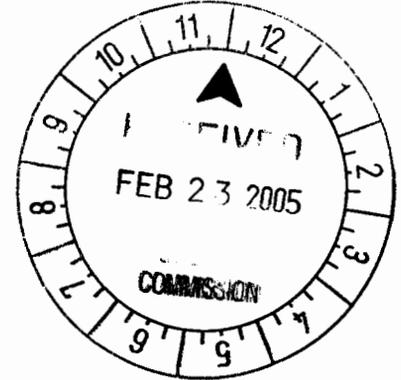




February 22, 2005

Ms. Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
Public Utilities Commission
State of New Hampshire
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429



Subject: DG 04-179: Cost of Gas Adjustment Monthly Reconciliation, February 2005

Dear Ms. Howland:

In accordance with the Commission's Order No. 24,394, enclosed is an original copy of the monthly calculation of the projected over/under collection for the 2004-2005 winter period.

The computations are based on actual and estimated costs and revenues through February and forecasts for the remainder of the period. The calculations indicate a projected over-collection through April 30, 2005 of \$16,392; and would necessitate a \$0.0983 decrease to the current Cost of Gas Rate of \$1.2323, for the non-FPO customer base, resulting in a revised COG Rate of \$1.1340 per therm.

At this time the Company does not elect to implement the forecasted decrease to the non-FPO for March 1st billing cycle.

Should further information be required, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Evans
Business Manager

Enclosures

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Actual -Over/Under Collection November 2004 through April 2005
All in Therms

	ACTUAL PRIOR	ACTUAL NOV	ACTUAL DEC	ACTUAL JAN	ESTIMATED FEB	FORECASTED MAR	FORECASTED APR	TOTALS
1 SALES								
FOR NON-FPO		33,239	59,569	88,769	110,844	91,334	75,488	459,243
FOR FPO		26,772	45,564	69,329	79,408	58,862	48,650	328,585
TOTAL		60,012	105,133	158,098	190,252	150,196	124,138	787,828
2 COG RATE PER TARIFF								
FOR NON-FPO		1.3048	1.3048	1.3048	1.2323	1.2323	1.2323	
FOR FPO		1.2323	1.2323	1.2323	1.2323	1.2323	1.2323	
3 RECOVERED COSTS= SALES X COG RATE								
FOR NON-FPO		43,371	77,725	115,826	136,593	112,551	93,024	579,090
FOR FPO		32,992	56,149	85,434	97,854	72,535	59,951	404,915
TOTAL		76,363	133,874	201,262	234,447	185,087	152,975	984,008
4 USED BY UTILITY FOR MAKING GAS		3,247	4,449	5,870	4,306	3,746	3,088	24,706
HEATING DEGREE DAYS		704	1056	1253	1024	0	0	4037
5 TOTAL SENDOUT		109,084	171,994	207,414	156,328	150,620	97,879	893,319
6 COST PER THERM		1.0948	1.0875	1.0698	1.0663	1.0539	1.0403	1.0697
7 TOTAL COSTS		119,426	187,050	221,891	166,696	158,735	101,825	955,622
8 ACTUAL -OVER/ UNDER COLLECTION		43,063	53,176	20,629	-67,752	-26,352	-51,150	-28,385
9 INTEREST AMOUNT		122	303	492	0	0	0	917
10 LINE 9 MINUS LINE 8, CURRENT -OVER/UNDER COLLECTION	11,076	54,261	107,741	128,861	61,110	34,758	-16,392	
11 -OVER/UNDER COLLECTION (CURRENT + ESTIMATE)								-16,392
12 DIVIDED BY REMAINING FORECASTED SALES FOR PERIOD*								166,823
13 CHANGE TO COG RATE REQUIRED TO ELIMINATE FORECASTED -OVER/ UNDER COLLECTION								-0.0983
14 CURRENT COST OF GAS RATE								1.2323
15 BEGINNING WINTER PERIOD COST OF GAS								1.3048
16 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST OF GAS RATE								1.5658
17 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE								0.2610
18 REVISED COST OF GAS RATE								1.1340

* NON-FPO CUSTOMERS

NEW HAMPSHIRE GAS CORP. DOES NOT ELECT TO IMPLEMENT A \$0.0983 DECREASE TO THE COST OF GAS RATE FOR THE NON-FPO CUSTOMERS.